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TO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA IMMEDIATE

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EXDIS, FOR AMB CUTLER

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOPS, CG, EAID

SUBJECT: ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO ZAIRE

REF: KINSHASA 6812

1. WE HAVE YOUR REFTTEL AND ARE CONSIDERING IT. PARA 6
NOTES THAT SHIPMENT OF WHEAT UNDER THE PL-480 TITLE I
AGREEMENT COULD PROCEED IN A MORE MEASURED WAY THEN RICE.

2. FYI: EB DAS HORMATS RECEIVED PHONE CALL FROM
CONTINENTAL GRAIN (DICK GOODMAN) ON THE MORNING OF
JUNE 30. CONTINENTAL GRAIN SAYS THAT UNLESS THEY BEGIN
TENDERS NOW FOR THE WHEAT UNDER THE PL-480 TITLE I AGREE-
MENT THERE WILL BE SEVERE FOOD SHORTAGES IN KINSHASA.
CONTINENTAL REP GOODMAN SPOKE WITH CONSIDERABLE CONCERN
ABOUT THE FOOD SITUATION AND SEEMED TO BE CONFIDENT OF
HIS FACTS. -

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3. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE IT THEREFORE IF
EMBASSY COULD (A) VERIFY THE WHEAT SITUATION IN KINSHASA
AT THIS TIME, (B) RELATE THAT SITUATION TO VARIOUS ARRIVAL
TIMES OF SHIPMENTS AND (C) GIVE YOUR LATEST BEST ESTIMATE
OF WHEN THE GOZ CAN PROVIDE THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE BUDGET

INFORMATION WHICH WE REQUESTED. (RE LATTER POINT WE NOTE

THAT KINSHASA 6814 MENTIONED ON OR SHORTLY AFTER JULY 4.)
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